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What Does the Bible Say?



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The reason for the biblical prohibitions
(against homosexual behavior in the
first century) is the same reason why
modern loving homosexual
partnerships must also be condemned,



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namely that they are incompatible with God's created order (heterosexual monogamy). And since that order was established by creation not culture, its validity is both permanent and universal.



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Genesis 1:27

So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.



Matthew 19:4-6

“Haven’t you read,” He replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female,’ and said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife,



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and the two will become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate.'”



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Romans 1:18-32

Same-sex sexual behavior is
“unnatural,” meaning it violates
God’s divine design given at
Creation.



Romans 1:18-32

The people addressed here are attracted to each other; therefore challenging the argument that same-sex relationship addressed in the Bible are only abusive and exploitative.



Romans 1:18-32

Same-sex sexual behavior is presented as a reflection of an overall idolatrous mindset (v. 25).



Romans 1:18-32

Even has a warning for those who encourage and support same-sex sexual behavior (v. 32).



1 Corinthians 6:9-10

Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor



1 Corinthians 6:9-10

homosexual offenders nor thieves nor
the greedy nor drunkards nor
slanderers nor swindlers will inherit
the kingdom of God.



Greek words in the text

Malakoi

“soft ones; soft to the touch”

Arsenokoitai

“man” and “bed”

“men who take men to bed”



Ephesians 5:3-5

But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people. Nor should there be obscenity,



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foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving.

For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure, or greedy person—such a man is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of God.



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Leviticus 18:22

Do not lie with a man as
one lies with a woman;
that is detestable.



Leviticus 20:13

If a man lies with a man as one lies with a woman, both of them have done what is detestable. They must be put to death; their blood will be on their own heads.



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